regional recycling project and in the Cucamonga Valley Water District recycling project.

H.R. 247. An act to designate a Forest Service trail at Waldo Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives.

H.R. 276. An act to designate the Piedras Blancas Light Station and the surrounding public land as an Outstanding Natural Area to be administered as a part of the National Landscape Conservation System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 299. An act to adjust the boundary of Lowell National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

H.R. 376. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including the battlefields and related sites of the First and Second Battles of Newtonia, Missouri, during the Civil War as part of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield or designating the battlefields and related sites as a separate unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 467. An act to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the A&B Irrigation District in the State of Idaho.

H.R. 497. An act to authorize the Marion Park Project, a committee of the Palmetto Conservation Foundation, to establish a commemorative work on Federal land in the District of Columbia, and its environs to honor Brigadier General Francis Marion.

H.R. 807. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the feasibility and suitability of establishing a memorial to the Space Shuttle Columbia in the State of Texas and for its inclusion as a unit of the National Park System.

H.R. 903. An act to provide for a study of options for protecting the open space characteristics of certain lands in and adjacent to the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in Colorado, and for other purposes.

H.R. 995. An act to amend Public Law 106-348 to extend the authorization for establishing a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

H.R. 1047. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum located in St. Louis, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 122. An act to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional recycling project and in the Cucamonga Valley Water District recycling project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 247. An act to designate a Forest Service trail at Waldo Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 761. A bill to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BIDEN for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*Stanley Davis Phillips, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Estonia.

HIGH POINT, NC, December 27, 2006.

DEAR SENATORS. I would like to update my family information concerning political do-

nations. The original form was requested in August and completed in September. Since that time, my family has made contributions to the following:

2006

S. Dave Phillips, Mitt Romney, South Carolina Pac, \$3,500.

Katherine A. Phillips, Mitt Romney, Commonwealth Pac, 5,000.

Katherine A. Phillips, Mitt Romney, South Carolina Pac, 3,500.

Lillian J. Phillips, Mitt Romney, South Carolina Pac, 3,500. Lillian J. Phillips, Mitt Romney, Common-

wealth Pac, 5,000. Katherine J. Phillips, Mitt Romney, South

Carolina Pac, 3,500. Katherine J. Phillips, Mitt Romney, Com-

monwealth Pac, 5,000.

Boyd A. Phillips, Mitt Romney, South

Carolina Pac, 3,500.
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wealth Pac, 5,000. Lucy D. Phillips, Mitt Romney, South

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Lucy D. Phillips, Mitt Romney, Common wealth Pac, 5,000.

Also, I would like to list the contribution that my family made to the President Inauguration in 2005. We were listed as an underwriter and the amount was \$250,000. We understand that it is not necessary to list this item because it is not political, but we feel that it is appropriate.

STANLEY DAVIS PHILLIPS.

Nominee: Stanley Davis Phillips (Dave). Post: Ambassador to Estonia.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

- $1. \ Self, see attached.$
- 2. Spouse, see attached.
- 3. Children and Spouses: Lillian J. Phillips, Katherine J. Phillips, Boyd A. Phillips, Lucy D. Phillips.
- 4. Parents: Lillian Jordan Philips—deceased; Earl N. Phillips—deceased.
- 5. Grandparents: deceased.
- 6. Brothers and Spouses: Earl N. Phillips, Jr.; Sallie B. Phillips (estranged & divorcing). See attached.
 - 7. Sisters and Spouses: No sisters.

FEDERAL CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

1. Stanley Davis Phillips (Dave).

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$25,000, 01/06, Joint Candidate Committee; \$10,000, 02/06, Tribute Victory Fund: \$25,000, 09/06, Republican National Committee: \$5,000, 09/06, Mitt Romney Campaign Committee; \$5,000, 04/05, Leadership Circle PAC; \$25,000, 05/05, Republican National Committee: \$4,200, 05/05, Elizabeth Dole for Senate Committee: \$25,000, 03/ 04, Republican National Committee; \$1,000, 05/04, Richard Burr for Senate Committee; \$5,000, 06/04, Leadership Circle PAC; \$2,000, 05/ 04, Bush-Cheney '04; \$2,500, 07/04, 2004 Joint State Victory Committee; \$27,500, 10/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; \$2,000, 06/03, Bob Etheridge for Congress; \$2,000, 09/03, Broyhill for Congress; \$25,000, 09/03, Republican National Committee; \$100, 09/03, Virginia Fox for Congress; \$2,000, 10/03, Richard Burr for Senate Committee; \$1,000, 09/02, Etheridge For Congress; \$5,000, 10/02, Dole North Carolina Victory Commitee.

Spouse—Katherine A. Phillips (Kay)

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$25,000, 01/06, Joint Candidate Committee: \$10,000, 02/06, Tribute Victory Fund; \$25,000, 09/06, Republican National Committee: \$5,000, 04/05, Leadership Circle PAC; \$800, 05/05, Elizabeth Dole

for Senate Committee; \$25,000, 05/05, Republican National Committee; \$2,000, 06/04, Virginia Johnson for Congress; \$5,000, 06/04, Leadership Circle PAC; \$29,500, 07/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; \$2,500, 07/04, 2004 Joint State Victory Committee; \$2,500, 06/03, Bush-Cheney '04; \$25,000, 09/03, Republican National Committee.

Lillian J. Phillips.

Amount, Date, Donee: \$25,000, 04/04, Republican National Committee; \$35,500, 07/04, 2004
Joint Candidate Committee; \$32,500, 07/04,
Joint State Victory Committee; \$2,000, 07/04,
Bush-Cheney '04.

Katherine J. Phillips.

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$25,000, 04/04, Republican National Committee; \$35,500, 07/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; \$32,500, 07/04, Joint State Victory Committee; \$2,000, 07/04, Bush-Cheney '04.

Boyd A. Phillips.

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$25,000, 04/04, Republican National Committee; \$35,500, 07/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; \$32,500, 07/04, Joint State Victory Committee; \$2,000, 07/04, Bush-Cheney '04.

Lucy D. Phillips.

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$25,000, 04/04, Republican National Committee; \$35,500, 07/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; \$32,500, 07/04, Joint State Victory Committee; \$2,000, 07/04, Bush-Cheney '04.

Brother—Earl N. Phillips, Jr.

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$1,000, 04/05, Sharp Pencil PAC; \$2,000, 03/04, Republican Party of Florida; \$500, 05/04, Virginia Johnson for Congress; \$4,000, 06/04, Richard Burr for Senate; \$2,000, 07/04, Coble for Congress; \$25,000, 10/04, Republican National Committee; \$5,000, 10/04, 2004 Joint State Victory Committee; \$28,500, 10/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee II; \$2,000, 10/04, Bush-Cheney Compliance Committee; \$25,000, 09/03, Republican National Committee.

Spouse—Sallie B. Phillips Industries

Amount, Date, and Donee: \$25,000, 10/04, Republican National Committee; \$7,500, 10/04, 2004 Joint State Victory Committee; \$2,000, 10/04, Coble for Congress; \$2,000, 10/04, Bush-Cheney Compliance Committee; \$35,500, 10/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee II; \$25,000, 10/03, Republican National Committee.

*William B. Wood, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

Nominee: William B. Wood.

Post: Ambassador to Afghanistan.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

- 1. Self, 0.
- 2. Spouse, N/A.
- 3. Children and Spouses, N/A.
- 4. Parents, N/A.
- 5. Grandparents, N/A.
- 6. Brothers and Spouses, Peter R. Wood, 0.

7. Sisters and Spouses, N/A.

*Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service with the rank Personal Rank of Career Ambassador, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Iraq.

Nominee: Ryan Ĉ. Crocker.

Post: Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq. (The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the in-

formation contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

- 1. Self, none.
- 2. Spouse, none.
- 3. Children and Spouses, none.
- 4. Parents: Mother: Carol Crocker, none. Father: Howard Crocker, deceased.
- 5. Grandparents: Deceased since 1923.
- 6. Brothers and Spouses, none.
- 7. Sisters and Spouses, none.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

- By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):
- S. 765. A bill to establish a grant program to improve high school graduation rates and prepare students for college and work; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
 - By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Harkin, Mrs. Boxer, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Feingold, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reed, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Schumer):
- S. 766. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies of victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
 - By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. SMITH, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. SPECTER):
- S. 767. A bill to increase fuel economy standards for automobiles and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
 - By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Biden, Mr. Smith, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Coleman, and Mr. Specter):
- S. 768. A bill to increase fuel economy standards for automobiles and for other purposes: to the Committee on Finance.
 - By Mr. SALAZAR (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. ALLARD):
- S. 769. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that participants in the Troops to Teachers program may teach at a range of eligible schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
 - By Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. HATCH):
- S. 770. A bill to amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to permit participating households to use food stamp benefits to purchase nutritional supplements providing vitamins or minerals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
 - By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Carper, and Mr. Schumer):
- S. 771. A bill to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to improve the nutrition and

health of schoolchildren by updating the definition of "food of minimal nutritional value" to conform to current nutrition science and to protect the Federal investment in the national school lunch and breakfast programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. Cole-MAN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 772. A bill to amend the Federal antitrust laws to provide expanded coverage and to eliminate exemptions from such laws that are contrary to the public interest with respect to railroads; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

> By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. COL-LINS, Mr. LOTT, and Mr. SUNUNU):

S. 773. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 774. A bill to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to permit States to determine State residency for higher education purposes and to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mrs. CLINTON, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 775. A bill to establish a National Commission on the Infrastructure of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 776. A bill to amend the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to include certain former nuclear weapons program workers in the Special Exposure Cohort under the energy employees occupational illness compensation program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. 777. A bill to repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. Burr, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Sanders): S. 778. A bill to amend title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 in order to authorize the Secretary of Education to award competitive grants to eligible entities to recruit, select, train, and support Expanded Learning and After-School Fellows that will strengthen expanded learning initiatives, 21st century community learning center programs, and after-school programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. 779. A bill to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 780. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit the unlawful acquisition and use of confidential customer proprietary network information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.